



MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK

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Detailed Evaluation of Alternatives

Project Goals Evaluation	Detailed Evaluation Screening Criteria
How well does alternative meet the Visitor Access and Management Goal?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is the impact beneficial or adverse? Does it require analysis?• Is there a conflict between the alternative and local or park plans?• Is public health or safety affected by alternative?• Does alternative address traffic issues?• Does alternative address access issues?• Does alternative provide for pedestrian and bicycling needs?• Does alternative affect socioeconomic conditions? If so, to what degree?• Does alternative require right-of-way or relocations?
How well does alternative meet the Visitor Experience Goal?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Are historic or cultural resources impacted? If so, to what degree?• Any noise impacts? If so, to what degree?• Any air quality impacts? If so, to what degree?• Are water resources or wetlands impacted? If so, to what degree?• Are floodplains impacted? If so, to what degree?
How well does alternative meet the Resources Goal?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Are wildlife, including aquatic species impacted? If so, to what degree?• Are threatened or endangered species or their habitats impacted? If so, to what degree?• Any hazardous material impacts? If so, to what degree?• Are prime and unique agricultural lands impacted?• Is wilderness or ecologically critical areas impacted?• Are sacred sites impacted?• Are there construction impacts?• Are there any cumulative or secondary impacts?• Are there any irreversible or irretrievable commitments on resources?
<i>(Please refer to Project Goals sheet for specific goals)</i>	



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- Does the action threaten or violate federal, state, or local law requirements imposed for the protection of the environment?

ARE THERE OTHER EVALUATION CRITERIA WE SHOULD CONSIDER?



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